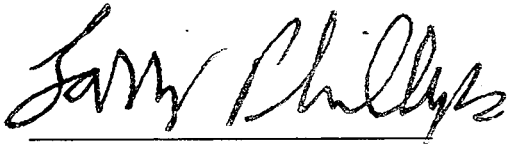


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H.B. No. 2131

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# HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

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COMMITTEE REPORT

The Honorable Tom Craddick  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

4/5/05  
(date)

Sir:

We, your COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION

to whom was referred HB 2131 have had the same under consideration and beg to report back with the recommendation that it

(X) do pass, without amendment.  
( ) do pass, with amendment(s).  
( ) do pass and be not printed; a Complete Committee Substitute is recommended in lieu of the original measure.

(X) yes ( ) no A fiscal note was requested.  
( ) yes (X) no A criminal justice policy impact statement was requested.  
( ) yes (X) no An equalized educational funding impact statement was requested.  
( ) yes (X) no An actuarial analysis was requested.  
( ) yes (X) no A water development policy impact statement was requested.  
( ) yes (X) no A tax equity note was requested.  
( ) The Committee recommends that this measure be sent to the Committee on Local and Consent Calendars.

For Senate Measures: House Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Joint Sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Cc-Sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_

The measure was reported from Committee by the following vote:

	AYE	NAY	PNV	ABSENT
Bonnen, Chair	X			
Howard, Vice-chair	X			
Driver	X			
Homer	X			
King, T.	X			
Kuempel	X			
Smith, W.	X			

Total

7 aye  
0 nay  
0 present, not voting  
0 absent

Dennis Bonen  
CHAIR

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 2131  
By: Phillips  
Environmental Regulation  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

According to current statute and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) rules, all owners and operators of solid waste disposal facilities are required to demonstrate financial assurance to protect the state through the facilities' closure and post-close care periods. Municipalities can choose to demonstrate financial assurance using the municipalities' bond ratings. Political subdivisions or quasi-governmental entities are not allowed to demonstrate financial assurance through the use of their bond ratings. They are forced to demonstrate financial assurance through several financial vehicles, such as a bond, letter of credit, trust, and insurance.

House Bill 2131 amends the Health and Safety Code to allow these political subdivisions or quasi-governmental entities to rely on their own financial strength to demonstrate financial assurance.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### **ANALYSIS**

House Bill 2131 amends the Health and Safety Code to provide that a local government that owns or operates a municipal solid waste landfill facility regulated by the Solid Waste Disposal Act is considered to have satisfied all requirements of the TCEQ for the demonstration of financial assurance, if the local government: (1) establishes and passes a financial test in accordance with commission rules; and (2) demonstrates that the outstanding unsecured bonds of the local government have a satisfactory rating by Standard & Poor's or Moody's.

The bill requires a local government to demonstrate financial assurance before the date of the initial receipt of waste at the facility; or as soon as practicable if the facility was in operation and had received waste when this Act took effect.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

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## SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE ACTION

HB 2131

March 29, 2005      2:00PM      or upon final adjourn./recess

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Considered in public hearing  
Testimony taken in committee (See attached witness list.)  
Left pending in committee

April 5, 2005      8:00AM

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Considered in public hearing  
Reported favorably without amendment(s)

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WITNESS LIST

HB 2131  
HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT  
Environmental Regulation Committee

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For: Russell, Kerry (Texoma Area Solid Waste Authority)



**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 79TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**March 28, 2005**

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**2ND READING  
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1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 20, 2005;  
1-3 April 21, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Natural Resources; May 2, 2005, reported favorably by the  
1-5 following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 2, 2005, sent to printer.)

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FAVORABLE  
SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT ON

SB SCR SJR SR HB HCR HJR 2131  
By Phillips / Estes  
(Author/Senate Sponsor)  
5/2/05  
(date)

We, your Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES, to which was referred the attached measure,  
have on 4/28/05, had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it  
(date of hearing)  
back with the recommendation (s) that it:

- ☒ do pass and be printed  
☐ do pass and be ordered not printed  
☒ and is recommended for placement on the Local and Uncontested Bills Calendar.

A fiscal note was requested. ☒ yes ☐ no  
A revised fiscal note was requested. ☐ yes ☒ no  
An actuarial analysis was requested. ☐ yes ☒ no  
Considered by subcommittee. ☐ yes ☒ no

The measure was reported from Committee by the following vote:

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PNV
Senator Armbrister, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Senator Jackson, Vice-Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Senator Barrientos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Senator Duncan			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Senator Estes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
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Senator Hinojosa	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Senator Lindsay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Senator Madla	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Senator Seliger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Senator Staples			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
TOTAL VOTES	9	0	2	0

COMMITTEE ACTION

S260 Considered in public hearing  
S270 Testimony taken  
Kelly C. Gilbert  
COMMITTEE CLERK

[Signature]  
CHAIRMAN

Paper clip the original and one copy of this signed form to the original bill  
Retain one copy of this form for Committee files



WITNESS LIST

HB 2131

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

Natural Resources

April 28, 2005 - 1:30PM

Registering, but not testifying:

For: Valdez, Jerry (North Tx Municipal Water District, Texoma Area Solid Waste Authority), Austin, TX

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

Senate Research Center  
79R6550 KEG-F

H.B. 2131  
By: Phillips (Estes)  
Natural Resources  
4/28/2005  
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### **AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Certain solid waste facilities are operated and maintained by a political subdivision created by an act of the legislature or an act of a local governmental entity. These facilities are not owned or operated by either a private entity or a single municipality, both of which have specific financial assurance requirements for a facility's closure and post-closure care periods, in accordance with requirements of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). The facilities are forced to defer to the unclear language in the statute and demonstrate financial assurance by way of several financial vehicles for operation, despite the owner's or operator's governmental status.

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SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2005.

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**

**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 79TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 27, 2005**

**TO:** Honorable Kenneth Armbrister, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources

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# REQUEST FOR LOCAL & UNCONTESTED CALENDAR PLACEMENT

SENATOR CHRIS HARRIS, CHAIRMAN  
SENATE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that HB2131, by Philips Estes,  
(Bill No.) (Author/Sponsor)  
was heard by the Committee on Natural Resources on 4/28/05,  
2005,

and reported out with the recommendation that it be placed on the Local and Uncontested Calendar.

Kathy C. Allert  
(Clerk of the reporting committee)

**IMPORTANT: A COPY OF THIS FORM MUST BE ATTACHED TO A COMMITTEE PRINTED VERSION OF THE BILL OR RESOLUTION AND SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO THE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE OFFICE, E1.714. DEADLINES FOR SUBMITTING BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON A REGULAR BASIS.**

**ENROLLED**

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H.B. No. 2131

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2131 was passed by the House on April 19, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 142, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2131 was passed by the Senate on May 10, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor



\_\_\_\_\_  
President of the Senate

\_\_\_\_\_  
Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2131  
(1) was passed by the House

on April 19  
(2), 2005, by the following vote:

Yeas 142, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting  
(3) (4)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2131 was passed by the Senate

on May 10  
(5), 2005, by the following vote:

Yeas 31, Nays 0  
(6) (7)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Governor

\*\*\*\* Preparation: CT24

JOINT AUTHOR AUTHORIZATION

As primary author of HB 2131 I hereby authorize the following joint author(s):  
(bill or resolution #)

Rick Hardcastle  
printed name of joint author #1

[Signature]  
signature of joint author #1

4-11-05

\_\_\_\_\_  
printed name of joint author #2

\_\_\_\_\_  
signature of joint author #2

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printed name of joint author #3

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signature of joint author #3

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printed name of joint author #4

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signature of joint author #4

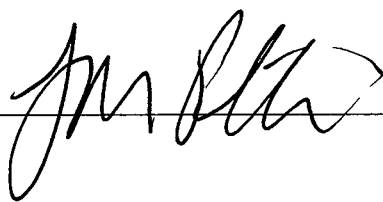
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signature of primary author

3-11-05  
date

H.B. No. 2131

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

By



relating to the demonstration of financial assurance by a local government in relation to the operation of a municipal solid waste landfill facility.

MAR 07 2005

Filed with the Chief Clerk

MAR 14 2005

Read first time and referred to Committee on Environmental Regulation

APR 05 2005

Reported        favorably (~~as amended~~)  
(~~as substituted~~)

~~APR 06 2005~~

~~Sent to Committee on (Calendars)~~  
~~(Local & Consent Calendars)~~

APR 18 2005

Read second time (~~comm. subst.~~) (~~amended~~); passed to third reading (~~failed~~) by a (non-record vote)  
(~~record vote of~~        yeas,        nays,        present, not voting)

Constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days suspended (failed to suspend)  
by a vote of        yeas,        nays,        present, not voting

APR 19 2005

Read third time (~~amended~~); finally passed (~~failed to pass~~) by a (~~non-record vote~~)  
(record vote of 42 yeas, 0 nays, 1 present, not voting)

Engrossed

APR 20 2005

Sent to Senate



CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE

OTHER HOUSE ACTION:

APR 20 2005

Received from the House

APR 21 2005

Read and referred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES

MAY 02 2005

Reported favorably       

Reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute; Committee Substitute read first time

Ordered not printed

MAY 10 2005

Laid before the Senate

Senate and Constitutional Rules to permit consideration suspended by (unanimous consent)  
(       yeas,        nays)

MAY 10 2005

Read second time,       , and passed to third reading by (~~unanimous consent~~)  
(a viva voce vote)  
(       yeas,        nays)

MAY 10 2005

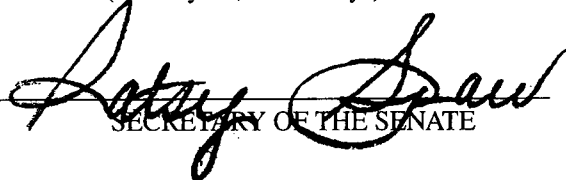
Senate and Constitutional 3 Day Rules suspended by a vote of 31 yeas, 0 nays

MAY 10 2005

Read third time,       , and passed by a (~~viva voce vote~~)  
(31 yeas, 0 nays)

May 10, 2005

Returned to the House



SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

OTHER SENATE ACTION:

MAY 10 2005

Returned from the Senate ( ~~substituted~~ )  
(with ~~amendment~~ )

House concurred in Senate amendments by a (non-record vote)  
(record vote of \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting)

House refused to concur in Senate amendments and requested the appointment of a conference committee  
by a (non-record vote) (record vote of \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting)

House conferees appointed: \_\_\_\_\_, Chair; \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Senate granted House request. Senate conferees appointed: \_\_\_\_\_, Chair;  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Conference committee report adopted (rejected) by the House by a (non-record vote)  
(record vote of \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting)

Conference committee report adopted (rejected) by the Senate by a (viva voce vote)  
(record vote of \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays)

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES